



TOWN OF DISCOVERY BAY

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TOWN OF DISCOVERY BAY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT IMPLEMENTS EMERGENCY WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES

Discovery Bay, CA - The Town of Discovery Bay Community Service District (TODBCSD) is proceeding to implement emergency water conservation measures adopted by the Water Resources Control Board on July 15, 2014 and which follow the Governor's April 25th executive order seeking to strengthen the state's ability to manage water and habitat effectively in drought conditions.

Emergency conservation measures that the Town will implement and that all residents of Discovery Bay must comply include the prohibition of watering lawns and landscape more than twice weekly and the watering of outdoor landscapes that cause runoff to adjacent property, non-irrigated areas, private and public walkways, roadways, and parking lots. Additionally, the new restrictions include prohibitions on direct application of water to any hard surface for washing; using a hose to wash a motor vehicle, boat or RV, unless the hose is fitted with a shut-off nozzle; and using potable water in a fountain or water feature, unless the water is re-circulated. These emergency measures go into effect on August 1, 2014.

As a result of these regulations, the Town will immediately reduce irrigation to all parks and landscape areas to twice weekly as well as close the Ravenswood Park Splash Pad effective August 1st.

All Californians are required to comply with these regulations. Fines of up to \$500 per day for failure to implement water conservation measures are also a part of the state mandated order. The Town will monitor water use and those who are non-compliant will receive a notice from the Town directing them to conform to the new conservation measures. Repeat violations may likely result in fines until water conservation measures are implemented.

"This is the third year of critical drought in California, and it is important that all Discovery Bay residents take these measures seriously", noted Discovery Bay General Manager Rick Howard. "Hopefully, a wet winter will ease the drought, but in the meantime, we have to work together and conserve our water to protect future supplies."

The Town provides water saving tips on its website and residents can also visit www.saveourh2o.org for more information.

The Town of Discovery Bay Community Services District is located in eastern Contra Costa County and provides and manages water, sewer, landscaping and recreation services to the community of 14,000 residents.

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